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In re: Flannagan et al. Confirmation No.: 5613
Appl. No.: 09/715,909 Group Art Unit: 1647
Filed: November 17, 2000 Examiner: Robert C. Hayes
For: NOVEL BT TOXIN RECEPTORS FROM
LEPIDOPTERAN INSECTS AND METHODS OF USE

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 18, 2002, Applicants respectfully request reexamination and reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend claims 1, 7, 15, 16, 26-29, and 32-35 as follows.

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1. (Twice amended) An isolated nucleic acid molecule having a nucleotide sequence encoding a *Lepidopteran* insect receptor polypeptide having *Bt* toxin binding activity, wherein said nucleotide sequence is selected from the group consisting of:
- the nucleotide sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO: 1;
 - a nucleotide sequence having at least 65% identity to the nucleotide sequence of a);
 - a nucleotide sequence having at least 70 % identity to the nucleotide sequence of a);
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